

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE

Wednesday, October 17, 2007

10:30 A.M

Room 519 House Office Building

Chairman Virgil Smith called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Virgil Smith, Farrah, Condino, Constan, Johnson, Lemmons, Polidori, Scott, Simpson, Wojno, Hune, Emmons, Hildenbrand, David Law, Moore, Rocca, Gaffney. (17/17)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None. (0/17)

Representative Polidori moved to adopt the minutes of the August 8, 2007 meeting. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

Chairman Virgil Smith laid **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284** and **HB 5285** before the committee.

HB 5282 Virgil Smith Insurance; health; individual health benefit plans; regulate.

HB 5283 Gaffney Insurance; health care corporations; nongroup coverage; require to comply with insurance code and provide for general amendments.

HB 5284 Farrah Insurance; health care corporations; health care corporations owning certain subsidiaries; permit.

HB 5285 Hune Insurance; health; health care corporations owning subsidiaries; permit.

Mark Cook, representing Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284** and **HB 5285**.

Paul Austin, representing Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284** and **HB 5285**.

J.P. Wieske, representing the Council for Affordable Health Insurance, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284** and **HB 5285**.

Fran Wallace, representing the Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Services, testified before the committee with no official position on **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284** and **HB 5285**.

Brian Sydnor, representing the Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Services, testified before the committee with no official position on **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284** and **HB 5285**.

Jennifer Kluge, representing the Michigan Business and Professional Association, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Jack Burke, representing Milliman, testified before the committee with a neutral position on **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Ron Abraham, representing himself, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Larry Kish, representing the Life Insurance Association of Michigan, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Frank Venuto, representing United Healthcare, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Debbie Lantzy-Talpos, representing Aetna, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Patrick Malak, representing Aetna, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Kurt Gallinger, representing Amerisure Companies, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Liz Haar, representing Accident Fund, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Scott Lyon, representing the Small Business Association of Michigan, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Richard Murdock, representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans, testified before the committee on **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Michael Burdo, representing the Michigan Association of Health Underwriters, testified before the committee with a neutral position on **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Sue Fabian, representing herself, testified before the committee with no position on **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Michael Hampton, representing a United Healthcare Individual Line of Business, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Leon Lamoreaux, representing Priority Health, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5282, HB 5283, HB 5284 and HB 5285**.

Dan Smith, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5282**, **HB 5283**, **HB 5284** and **HB 5285** but did not wish to speak.

Doug Borruso, representing the Michigan Osteopathic Association, turned in a testimony card stating they were evaluating the bills and had no official position and written comments were provided.

The following people turned in testimony cards in opposition to **HB 5282**, **HB 5283**, **HB 5284** and **HB 5285** but did not wish to speak:

David Hill, representing Assurant Health.

Mark Lemoine, representing Spectrum Health.

Lauren Sobel, representing Consumer Union.

Letitia Dewith-Anderson, representing Humana.

Bill Dowder, representing Golden Rule Insurance Company.

Bill Cilluffo, representing AAA Michigan.

Mike Raupp, an independent insurance agent.

Representative Condino moved to report **HB 5282** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Virgil Smith, Farrah, Condino, Constan, Johnson, Lemmons, Polidori, Scott, Simpson, Wojno, Hune, Hildenbrand, David Law, Moore, Rocca, Gaffney. (16/17)

NAYS: Rep. Emmons (1/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Farrah moved to report **HB 5283** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Virgil Smith, Farrah, Condino, Constan, Johnson, Lemmons, Polidori, Scott, Simpson, Wojno, Hune, Hildenbrand, David Law, Moore, Rocca, Gaffney. (16/17)

NAYS: Rep. Emmons (1/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Simpson moved to report **HB 5284** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Virgil Smith, Farrah, Condino, Constan, Johnson, Lemmons, Polidori, Scott, Simpson, Wojno, Hune, Hildenbrand, David Law, Moore, Rocca, Gaffney. (16/17)

NAYS: Rep. Emmons (1/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Gaffney moved to report **HB 5285** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Virgil Smith, Farrah, Condino, Constan, Johnson, Lemmons, Polidori, Scott, Simpson, Wojno, Hune, Hildenbrand, David Law, Moore, Rocca, Gaffney. (16/17)

NAYS: Rep. Emmons (1/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Virgil Smith** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 12:50 p.m.

Representative Virgil Smith, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070